

Kenai Community Forum: Themes and Issues Raised December 15, 2015

Need clarification on what happens to (c) waivers when (i) and (k) are implemented.

Concerns about current benefits being cut and adding new people into Medicaid benefits – how will this impact the ability to keep fragile populations in the community?

Concern raised about timeline for beginning (i) and (k) options being 18 months out. Budget neutral now is not budget neutral 2 years from now.

The question was raised as to why the Mental Health Trust land grant is not being tapped to help finance service delivery.

FASD was raised as a potential fifth population for 1915(i) – or can this population fit into one of the four target populations?

An intentional community is being established in the Kenai Peninsula area; perhaps this could be a model for other communities.

Assessment tools are objective but the assessor is subjective; concerns raised about qualifications of assessors – should they have a medical background?

Can there be a single assessment tool for all populations?

Question arose regarding Medicaid fraud – how to combat that in the PCA program.

Concern raised about how (i) and (k) would affect residential care and assisted living homes.